



Welcome back! This newsletter is where you will find out about upcoming events and info related to the Parent Advisory Council at Gleneagles Ch'axay Elementary. This is my third term as GEC PAC Chair and also for Kelly Kerklaan as Treasurer. Kirstie Simpson is in her second year as Hot Lunch Coordinator but third year as an Exec member. We have some great new additions to our team; Amanda Clark as Vice Chair, Emily Gardiner as Secretary, Jenny Clark as DPAC Rep, Heather Nelson and Danielle Lavallee as Members at Large. Our goal is to keep you well informed and encourage parents/caregivers to get involved with their child's experience here at Gleneagles. There is important information below, please read!

We saw a number of you at our modified 'Welcome Tea (BYOTea)'. It was really refreshing to see you in person. Our goal last year was to 'support the community' at GEC. We want to work on building back our community in a safe way as we still face challenges with the pandemic. We hope you can join us in this venture that supports students, staff and our families as we embrace a safe, socially distanced path forward. We will find a way to have even more fun and positiveness than we were able to achieve in the previous year. We are working to confirm events throughout the year, will continue to bring in additional programming for the kids and Hot Lunch ordering is now open.

I look forward to seeing you (virtually) at our first **GEC PAC meeting** on Wednesday September 15th at 6:30pm.

If you have any questions, concerns or just want to know how you can get involved, please do not hesitate to contact me or anyone on our team. We would really like to hear from you.

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GEC PAC Meeting

Our first PAC meeting will be Wednesday, September 15th at 6:30pm via zoom. Here is the [link](#). It will also be posted on the WhatsApp 'Gleneagles School' thread on the day of the meeting. Every parent or guardian at Gleneagles Ch'axay Elementary is a member of the GEC PAC. This is your opportunity to learn about new initiatives, hear from the Principal and other great experiences in your child's school life, as well as ask questions. We encourage at least one representative from your family to login to as many PAC meetings as possible. We have changed to virtual evenings on Wednesdays to continue with social distancing measures; dates are below.

Upcoming PAC Meeting Dates:

- September 16th - 6:30pm
- Oct 6th – 6:30pm
- Nov 17th – 6:30pm
- Dec - no meeting
- Jan - 19th – 6:30pm
- Feb 9th – 6:30pm
- Mar - spring break no meeting
- Apr 13th – 6:30pm
- May 11th – 6:30pm
- June 15th AGM – 6:30pm

Agenda for September 15th (Future meeting agendas will be published five days prior)

6:30 Chair's Report
6:45 Treasurer's Report / Outdoor Enhancement Update
7:00 Principal's Report
7:20 Upcoming Events/New Business
8:00 Adjournment

'Gleneagles School' WhatsApp Thread

If you haven't already joined the "Gleneagles School" WhatsApp thread, please do. We will send reminders of dates with details and important school related info from the GEC PAC Exec Committee (the only admin members; this is not a discussion panel – you can private message any exec member if you have any questions or comments).

Per the district's strict policy on privacy, we request an 'opt-in' from parents interested. If you would like to receive these alerts please send an email with a mobile phone number and name to GECPACCHAIR@gmail.com Your email will be saved there and kept confidential.

***This info channel will not replace newsletters from the school but will be an additional resource for quick reminders on important events. We will also post links to important info from the School District, BCCPAC and DPAC resources.

Volunteer Signup

We will be looking for a pool of volunteers for various events/committees in the coming weeks.

Upcoming events

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See more GEC PAC past and present information at [GEC PAC Resources](#)